

GOING TO THE CITY A CHANCE TO GROW.

Radical Change in the Long-Followed Policy of the Schenley Estate.

HUNDREDS OF NEW HOMES

To Be Located in the Finest Residence Section of Pittsburgh.

Giving Real Estate Men an Opportunity for Guessing—Farm Land in the Heart of the Municipality to Be Cut Up Into Building Lots—Fifty-Year Leases to Be Granted and Low Ground-Rents to Be Asked—Giving Searchers for Homes a Choice of Property Many Have Coveted—Relieving the Pressure at the Point.

A thunderbolt from a clear sky would not produce more excitement than did an announcement made yesterday in real estate circles to the effect that a change of policy had been made in the management of the Schenley estate by which the vast tracts of unimproved property in this city owned by the benevolent lady across the sea is to be made available for city home sites.

At first the impression was that the property was to be sold outright and before the truth became known, real estate dealers were figuring on a general depreciation of values as a result of such a big acquisition to the market, but later it began to be understood that only a 50-year lease was to be allowed, and that the property would be cut up into lots, and then values went up again to their normal figure.

All in the Heart of the City. The whole scheme has not yet been made public, but as far as can be learned it is proposed to place within reach of those who desire it, the 100-acre tract bounded by Center avenue to the north, Hilltop, the Soho street and the Fourteenth ward school on the west, Bridge street on the east and Forbes street at Schenley Park on the south and intersected by Fifth avenue, as well as the property known as the Schenley home-land in the Eighteenth ward, upon which stands the antique but magnificent old mansion of the Schenley family, located above Stockton avenue.

This 100-acre tract, now used variously as a pasture field, a corn patch and brickyard, is to be laid out into a beautiful plan of city lots. The strip between Forbes street and Fifth avenue is to be leveled off, and the ugly brickyard buildings removed. Five hundred buildings, each will be made of the 100 acres, and to be good, broad streets and avenues are contemplated, ground enough for 300 lots has been set aside for them.

Getting Away From Precedents. The first considerable deviation from the old policy of Mrs. Schenley in leasing her property on short-term leases was when the Long and Short streets and brick dwellings which form Oakland terrace, on the west side of Bellefield church was built on a lease of 50 years. People were surprised. Mrs. Schenley had never consented to lease anything for a longer term than 20 years, but now that an exception had been made, predictions were made that the balance of the tract would soon go on the same terms. They were good prophets.

The Fourteenth ward tract contains about 100 acres, most of which lies north of Fifth avenue, the balance lying between Fifth and Forbes avenues. The tract above Fifth avenue is a beautiful stretch of green park-like land, and is to be given to the visitors to the city that it could be possible to let such valuable property lie unoccupied. Naturally, gradually to perfection, its level slope and its accessibility suggest a town-planned plan of lots to the most inexperienced dabbler in real estate.

To Be Controlled by Chief Engineer. In the cutting up into lots a permanent plan will be made, and approved by the Public Works Department, so that at the expiration of the lease the property will be in shape to sell if the owners desire. The Eighteenth ward tract contains 110 acres. At present it is not available for the purposes intended, owing to the difficulty of approach, and so soon as it can be made accessible by cutting a road in the hillside it will be put on the market. It is estimated there will be 600 building lots in this piece, exclusive of streets and alleys. The advantage to be derived from the proposed change in this property will be immense. The Fourteenth ward property is estimated at from \$40,000 to \$60,000 per acre in value, but is assessed at about \$25,000, and the major part of it is assessed as rural or agricultural land, or at two-thirds or one-half its value. By the change in the plan it will realize its full value and the assessment will all become full, thus adding many thousands of dollars to the valuation of the Fourteenth ward, and the taxpayers will be benefited.

An Illustration for the Assessors. On the tract fronting the north side of Fifth avenue there has been erected a fence marking off 100 feet in depth, which the Board of Assessors intend to use as an illustration in court of their new and much-abused classification rule. They have assessed this 100-foot depth as full taxable property, at about \$150 per front foot, while the balance of the tract is assessed at \$50, and the major part of it is assessed as rural or agricultural land, or at two-thirds or one-half its value. By the change in the plan it will realize its full value and the assessment will all become full, thus adding many thousands of dollars to the valuation of the Fourteenth ward, and the taxpayers will be benefited.

NO TRUST OF THE TANNERS, But the Principals Agree to Suspend Work for 60 Days. NEW YORK, May 7.—(Special.)—A hundred tanners were represented at the meeting of leather dealers to-day, which was held to consider the glut in the market, in consequence of which the price of sole leather has fallen off one-half, and prices of other varieties are about a third. Mr. Proctor, of Boston, president of the meeting, was a very short one, but the secretary maintained to the report that there was a scheme on foot for the establishment of a trust. There is now no association of the leather dealers, although there was formerly a loose sort of organization.

SHOT HIS SISTER'S INSULTER. And Then Barred Himself From an Attack by the Police. JACKSON, MISS., May 7.—(Special.)—The second sensational shooting of the week in Hinds county, occurred this evening at Utica, a prosperous village 20 miles south-west of here. Cicero Heard shot and killed W. H. Calbert, a prominent merchant, and another man in the county. Calbert had insulted Heard's sister-in-law. He lived long enough to make his will, and stated that he was murdered in his own house and without cause. The Sheriff has received three urgent tele-

grams to come to Utica at once with a posse. Heard and his friends are barricaded in a store, and defy arrest. The Sheriff declines to summon a posse here, but will go in person to Utica on a special train, thinking he can settle the trouble.

A NEW RECORD MADE. THE ACTORS' FUND FAIR A MOST GIGANTIC SUCCESS.

At Least \$150,000 Cleared During the Week—The Last Night's Brilliant Scenes—Universal Regret at the Close of the Affair. NEW YORK, May 7.—(Special.)—The managers of the wonderful Actors' Fund Fair, which closed its doors in the face of a re-energized public, faster than any other theatrical enterprise, and which, financially, surpassed all previous records of such enterprises, and established a new one that will not soon be equalled. In this conclusion they have the concurrence of the visitors who have crowded Madison Square Garden every one of the nights of the fair. From the moment that the crowd entered the artistically arranged interior of the big building nothing but exclamations of wonder and delight were heard from the throngs that reached the Department at 2 o'clock that day. The Minister states that he objects to the bill mainly for three reasons: First, it requires the Chinese to register their names and addresses; second, it requires a registration of Chinese laborers, which it is practically impossible to do; and third, it requires a registration of Chinese laborers, which it is practically impossible to do.

A BANKER ARRESTED. Charged With Making False Returns to the Comptroller of the Currency—A Sensation at Phoenixville—The Prisoner Locked Up, Not Sentencing Yet.

PHILADELPHIA, May 7.—(Special.)—J. Theodore Hunter, ex-President of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank, of Phoenixville, was arrested this afternoon at Phoenixville on a warrant sworn out by a representative of the Comptroller of the Currency, charging him with making false returns to the Comptroller of the Currency. The warrant stated that the false report had been made for the purpose of deceiving the Comptroller and defrauding the bank.

The order of arrest was sworn out before United States Commissioner Bell, and was accompanied by Deputy United States Marshal Schwelcher and Hunt, who immediately proceeded to Phoenixville. They made the arrest at the railroad station as Hunter was alighting from a railroad train on which he had just arrived from Port Kennedy. He was immediately brought to this city and to-night was given a preliminary hearing before Commissioner Bell. The order of arrest was sworn out before United States Commissioner Bell, and was accompanied by Deputy United States Marshal Schwelcher and Hunt, who immediately proceeded to Phoenixville. They made the arrest at the railroad station as Hunter was alighting from a railroad train on which he had just arrived from Port Kennedy. He was immediately brought to this city and to-night was given a preliminary hearing before Commissioner Bell.

TRYING TO OUST OLCOTT. Legal Efforts to Prevent His Plan and for a Richmond Terminal Receiver. KNOXVILLE, TENN., May 7.—The case against the Eastern Tennessee Company on the motion for the completion of its becoming a party to the Olcott plan, and for a receiver, came up before Chancellor Gibson to-day. The complainants were unwilling to go to a hearing on their original bill, and, therefore, obtained leave and filed at 10 o'clock a bill to amend the original bill, making the Terminal and Danville companies, the Olcott committee and the East Tennessee Railway, defendants, and asserting that receiver as necessary, as the continued management of the present directors threatens bankruptcy and ruin to stockholders. The Chancellor filed May 23 that when the motion for injunction and a receiver will be heard by him.

REWARDED FOR FRIENDLINESS. Two Preachers Receive Licenses for Keeping Their Solemn Promises. NEW YORK, May 7.—(Special.)—In the will of Rev. Robert S. Moran, who died April 4, in his 66th year, at his home with Rev. Dr. J. F. Kennedy, there was this curious clause: "I give and bequeath to Rev. Dr. Joseph R. Wilson, of New York, the sum of \$1,000 in case he shall officiate at my obsequies, and to Rev. Dr. Charles F. Deems, of the Church of the Strangers, in the City of New York, the sum of \$1,000 in case he shall officiate at my obsequies. Mr. Moran was a graduate of Wesleyan University, and he and the clergymen mentioned in his will were lifelong friends. Mr. Moran exacted a solemn promise from each of the preachers, that if he died, they would be present at his funeral and would conduct the services. They did not know then, or until after the funeral, which took place at Wilmington, Del., that Mr. Moran had made the keeping of this promise a condition of a legacy. At the funeral services, both clergymen made the promise, and the executors of the will, Mr. Moran's conditions of the will. Then Dr. Wilson went back to Clarksville and Dr. Deems to New York.

MONKEY FOR THE WORLD'S FAIR. Chicagoans Can't See Why They Shouldn't Have Everything They Ask For. CHICAGO, May 7.—(Special.)—The efforts to obtain the necessary appropriation by the Board of Directors of the World's Fair grounds will be continued actively by the Board of Control. At a meeting of the board yesterday it was decided to appoint a sub-committee to determine upon the legislation which will be most likely to secure an appropriation adequate for the completion of the World's Fair Commission has now only about \$1,000 on hand to pay salaries, rent, etc., for the remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30. The expense account now averages about \$5,000 a month. As yet Congress has made no appropriation for next year.

SCHNEIDER FEELS CRAZY. The Washington Wife Murderer Swears at the Judge Who Sentences Him. WASHINGTON, May 7.—In the case of Howard K. Schneider, who was recently convicted of the murder of his wife, Judge Bradley, of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, today denied a motion for a new trial, and sentenced the prisoner to be hanged January 20, 1893. When Judge Bradley asked the prisoner if he had anything to say which would not be pronounced upon him, he said: "Yes, God damn you for sentencing me to hang."

COSTA RICA IS KICKING. It Sends a Commissioner Here to Get Better Reciprocity Terms. SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA, May 7.—It is believed that Don Mauro Fernandez, Secretary of State, and Costa Rica's foremost statesman and jurist, will sail in a few days for New York. Senor Fernandez is to go to Washington at once on a special mission to the United States Government. He will see the President and the Secretary of State, and will urge the most liberal principal cities of this Republic, are greatly disturbed over it, and must be amended. The commercial crisis is thought to have passed.

SUICIDE BY STARVATION. A Convict in Prison for 30 Years Is Starving Himself to Death. CONCORD, N. H., May 7.—John Brunell, a French Canadian serving a 30 years' sentence in the State Prison for the murder of a woman, was found dead in his cell last night. He had starved himself to death. He has eaten no food since he has been in the prison, some three weeks, and declined to eat anything to partake of no nourishment whatever.

GOOD LUCK COMES TOO LATE. A Man Who Had Just Taken His Own Life Falls Into a Trap. DENVER, COLO., May 7.—(Special.)—A striking example of "what fools their mortals be," and how easily men can be unnerved by bad luck, came to light here to-day. Last Wednesday morning a brief account was published of the suicide of Charles S. Clute, who had come West with the usual idea of accumulating a rapid for-

CHINESE ARE KICKING. Their Minister Entered a Protest Against the Exclusion Act.

His Objections Were Unnoticed. Though Filed at the State Department Before the Bill Was Signed.

A GENERAL EXODUS IS PREDICTED THROUGH A BROKEN DYKE. THE ILLINOIS RUSHES AND FLOODS A VALLEY.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—On inquiry at the Chinese Legation to-day, it is ascertained that the published statement is incorrect that no protest had been made to the State Department by the Chinese Minister, against the exclusion bill passed by Congress on May 4. The Minister says he called in person at the Department on the morning of the 5th, and in the absence of Secretary Blaine, saw Assistant Secretary Wharton, and notified him that he would send to the Department at once a written protest against the bill, which he asked might be laid before the President immediately. The protest was not received at the Department at 2 o'clock that day.

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THE RIVER FLOODS IN AND AROUND ALEXANDRIA, MISS., ARE ALMOST A REPELITION OF THE GREAT INUNDATION OF 1880. It is now believed that so great a disaster as that one will not result at the present time. The unprecedented rains of the past week have again quieted the waters of the Mississippi river, but it is now believed that so great a disaster as that one will not result at the present time.

THE WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS TEACHER. Death of John E. Lovell, the Exponent of the Lancaster System. NEW HAVEN, May 7.—(Special.)—John E. Lovell, the famous Lancasterian teacher, who was buried from Trinity Church, in this city, this afternoon, was the last member of the old-time Connecticut pedagogues. Mr. Lovell was 97 years old, and just a week ago celebrated his last birthday anniversary in New Haven.

A CATHOLIC SCHOOL EXHIBIT. To Be Made on a Very Large Scale at the Chicago World's Fair. CHICAGO, May 7.—An application for 50,000 square feet of floor space at the World's Fair was filed to-day with Director General Davis by Mr. Maureen, of Memphis, representing Cardinal Gibbons and the Archbishops and Bishops of the Roman Catholic Church in the United States. The space asked is to afford room exclusively for the Catholic educational exhibit, which is expected by Mr. Maureen to surpass anything of the kind ever exhibited in this country, at least, under the Church's auspices. Rev. J. L. Spalding, Bishop of Peoria, is acting President of the exhibit.

CONDUCTORS KNOCKING DOWN. Confession of a Big Conspiracy to Rob the West Shore Railroad. NEWBURG, May 7.—(Special.)—There is much excitement along the line of the West Shore Railroad over the exposure of the fraudulent practices entered into by conductors and others. The latest intelligence is that one of the conductors confessed with evidence that he was in a conspiracy to defraud the company made a full confession. This has led to many arrests.

ONE OF THE DEPOSITORS PUTS A BILL IN HIM AS HE GOES TO TOWN. WELLINGTON, KAN., May 7.—(Special.)—W. R. Warren, proprietor of a small bank at Mulvane, this county, which suspended a little over a year ago, was shot here to-day while on his way to the Court House to attend to the settlement of his affairs. He was George Timons, a young farmer who had \$2,000 in the bank at the time of the collapse, and who threatened Warren's life on several occasions. Only one shot was fired, which took effect in Warren's back just above the hip bone. The doctors were unable to locate the ball, and fear that it has penetrated the intestines. Timons was arrested.

NOT FOR HARRISON. That Is the Single Statement Mr. Platt Affirms Most Emphatically.

HE CONFERS WITH QUAY, And the Favorite Son Booms Will Continue to Be Nurtured.

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THE BLAINE BOOM WELL INDICATED. For the past few days the Blaine boom has been indicated, and the fact that he has not yet been named as a candidate is not surprising. It is only fair to add, however, that Mr. Manley, still clinging to the Blaine sentiment, is talking for publication, that Blaine has no intention of retracting his letter of renunciation.

WOULDN'T INSTRUCT FOR HARRISON. A Reporter of THE DISPATCH met Mr. Platt just as he was about to leave the Arlington Hotel to take the 11:30 o'clock train for the South. He was not disposed to be communicative concerning his visit in Washington, further than to say he stopped over here on his way to the South to see Senator Hiseok and Vice President Morton. He took a drive out in the country with Senator Hiseok, and upon returning to the city dined with Senator Hiseok and Vice President Morton. He declined to commit himself further than to deny the rumor that he called upon the President or Secretary Blaine.

DEAN SATISFIED WITH WATER. Uncle John Cessna Also Well Pleased, but Leach Must Go. BEDFORD, PA., May 7.—(Special.)—In speaking of who would likely succeed Lieutenant Governor Waters as State Chairman, Mr. Cessna said that he was determined upon Mr. Waters being his own successor. He has proved himself to be a wise, honest and capable chairman, and I will vote for him when the time comes.

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A STOCK COMPANY CAMPAIGN. Being Run This Year by the Prohibitionists of Venango County. FRANKLIN, PA., May 7.—(Special.)—The Prohibition County Convention was held in this city to-day, about two-thirds of the precincts in the county being represented. The following ticket was nominated: Congress, S. P. McCallum; Assembly, J. R. Post, Esq.; Alex. Johnson, Canal township; Sheriff, J. B. Atwell, Scrubgrass; County Surveyor, William A. McKay, Utica. The delegates to the State Convention are: H. M. Wilson, J. R. Boreland, D. H. Boulton, J. W. Coe, O. J. Berlin, J. W.

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